RESOLUTION NO.	

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, ADOPTING AN AMNESTY PROGRAM TO WAIVE ALL PAST DUE BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS INCURRED BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2011; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE AMNESTY PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the City of North Miami ("City") Code of Ordinances ("Code"), the City Clerk is charged with the responsibility of collecting and issuing Business Tax Receipts ("BTR"), in accordance with Chapter 205, Florida Statutes, for the privilege of engaging in or managing any business, profession or occupation within the City; and

WHEREAS, the enforcement and collection effort exerted by the City in attaining the outstanding BTR amount, is proving to be increasingly counterproductive and onerous on local businesses, professions and occupations, negatively impacting business growth and development; and

WHEREAS, pursuant the authority provided under Section 11-30 of the Code, the City Clerk is seeking the adoption of an amnesty program waiving all outstanding BTR incurred before October 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City, have determined that the proposed amnesty program is progressive, fair and equitable, and furthers the best interest of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Authority of City Manager. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby adopt an amnesty program to waive all past due Business Tax Receipts incurred before October 1, 2011, and authorize the City Manager to do all things necessary to effectuate the amnesty program.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _	vote of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of North Miami, Florida, this	day of March, 2012.
	ANDRE D. PIERRE, ESQ. MAYOR
ATTEST:	
MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ. CITY CLERK	
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:	
REGINE M. MONESTIME CITY ATTORNEY	<u> </u>
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	Seconded by:
Vote:	
Mayor Andre D. Pierre, Esq. Vice Mayor Jean R. Marcellus Councilperson Michael R. Blynn, Esq. Councilperson Scott Galvin Councilperson Marie Erlande Steril	(Yes)(No)(Yes)(No)(Yes)(No)(Yes)(No)